

Today's Topic- G20

Important Facts of G20:

- The brilliant hues of the national flag of India—saffron, white, green, and blue—serve as the basis for the India's G20 Presidency Logo.
- Planet Earth is compared to the lotus, the national flower of India, which symbolises growth over adversity.
- Below the G20 logo is "Bharat", written in the Devanagari script.
- The theme of India's G20 Presidency - "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" or "One Earth - One Family - One Future" is drawn from the ancient Sanskrit text of the Maha Upanishad.
- The theme also spotlights LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment), with its associated, environmentally sustainable, and responsible choices, both at the level of individual lifestyles as well as national development, leading to globally transformative actions resulting in a cleaner, greener and bluer future.
- Official G20 meetings for India's – Host Indian Cities (December 2022- September 2023) : Amritsar, Punjab ; Bengaluru, Karnataka ; Bhubaneswar, Odisha ; Chandigarh, Punjab and Haryana ; Chennai, Tamil Nadu ; Gandhinagar, Gujarat ; Goa, Goa ; Gurugram, Haryana ; Guwahati, Assam ; Hampi, Karnataka ; Hyderabad, Telangana ; Indore, Madhya Pradesh ; Jaipur, Rajasthan ; Jodhpur, Rajasthan ; Kevadia, Gujarat ; Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh ; Kochi, Kerala ; Kolkata, West Bengal ; Kumarakom, Kerala ; Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh ; Mahabalipuram, Tamil Nadu ; Mumbai, Maharashtra ; New Delhi, Delhi ; Pune, Maharashtra ; Rann of Kutch, Gujarat ; Rishikesh, Uttarakhand ; Siliguri, West Bengal ; Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir ; Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala ; Udaipur, Rajasthan ; Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh ; Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- The G20 consists of two parallel tracks: Finance Track and Sherpa Track.
- Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors lead the Finance Track and Sherpas lead the Finance Track followed by the Sherpa Track.
- This group does not have a permanent secretariat.
- The 1st G20 Indian Presidential Sherpa Meeting chaired by G20 Sherpa Sri Amitabh Kant kicks off today in the historic city of Udaipur. The four-day meeting of G20 members, invited countries and Sherpas from international organizations (December 4-7, 2022) will be a pivotal dialogue on some of the most pressing issues of our time, including technological innovation and green development. I will set the stage. LiFE represents accelerating the implementation of the SDGs, promoting inclusive and resilient growth and multilateral reforms, with a focus on women-led development.
- The presidency is supported by a troika of former presidents, current presidents, and new presidents. During the Indian presidency, the troikas will consist of Indonesia, India and Brazil respectively.
- As a forum for the Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors to debate international economic and financial concerns, the G20 was established in 1999 following the Asian financial crisis.

- Following the global economic and financial crisis of 2007, the G20 was elevated to the level of heads of state and governments, and in 2009 was designated as "the first forum for international economic cooperation".
- The G20 Summit is held annually under the leadership of a rotating Presidency.
- **Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, Mexico, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Türkiye, United Kingdom**, and the **United States** make up 19 of the Group of Twenty (G20), along with the **European Union**.
- G20 members account for almost two-thirds of the world's population, more than 75% of world trade and 85% of world GDP.
- **Guest Countries for G20 Summits at India: Bangladesh, Egypt, Mauritius, Netherlands, Nigeria, Oman, Singapore, Spain, UAE.**
- **Invited International Organizations:** In addition to the regular International Organizations (UN, IMF, WB, WHO, WTO, ILO, FSB and OECD) and Chairs of Regional Organizations (AU, AUDA-NEPAD and ASEAN), India, as G20 Presidency, will be inviting ISA, CDRI and ADB as Guest IOs.

List of G20 summits:

Number of Summits	Host Country	Host City	Date & Year
1 st	USA	Washington DC	November 14-15, 2008
2 nd	UK	London	April 2, 2009
3 rd	USA	Pittsburgh	September 24-25, 2009
4 th	Canada	Toronto	June 26-27, 2010
5 th	Republic of Korea	Seoul	November 11-12, 2010
6 th	France	Cannes	November 3-4, 2011
7 th	México	Los Cabos	June 18-19, 2012
8 th	Russia	Saint Petersburg	September 5-6, 2013
9 th	Australia	Brisbane	November 15-16, 2014

10 th	Türkiye	Antalya	November 15-16, 2015
11 th	China	Hangzhou	September 4-5, 2016
12 th	Germany	Hamburg	July 7- 8, 2017
13 th	Argentina	Buenos Aires	November 30 -1 December, 2018
14 th	Japan	Osaka	June 28-29, 2019
2	Saudi Arabia	Riyadh	November 21-22, 2020
16 th	Italy	Rome	October 30-31, 2021
17 th	Indonesia,	Bali	November 15 - 16, 2022
18 th	India	New Delhi	2023
19 th	Brazil		2024
20 th	South Africa		2025